

REMARKS

The Office Action indicated that Claim 29 was allowed and that the subject matter of Claims 10, 11, 13, 16 and 17 would be allowed if rewritten in independent form. Additionally, Claims 26-38 were also allowable if rewritten in independent form.

Claim 1 has been amended to incorporate the allowed subject matter of dependent Claim 10 and accordingly Claims 1-7, 9, 11, and 15-17 are allowable.

New Claim 30 corresponds to the indicated allowable subject matter of dependent Claim 26. New Claim 31 corresponds to the indicated allowable subject matter of Claim 27, while dependent Claim 32 corresponds to the indicated allowable subject matter of Claim 28. Accordingly, it is believed that Claims 26-28, along with Claim 29, are allowable.

Finally, Claim 33 corresponds to the allowed subject matter of Claim 13.

Since only allowed subject matter is presented herewith, it is believed the case is in condition for allowance.

If the Examiner believes that a telephone interview will help further the prosecution of the case, the undersigned attorney can be reached at the listed telephone number.

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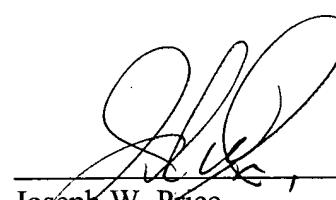
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